Freedom High School Extracurricular List & Descriptions

Read through all clubs and fill out this <u>GOOGLE INTEREST FORM</u>, checking any clubs you may be interested in. The advisors will reach out to you about club updates and information shortly.

CLUB	WHAT THE CLUB DOES	ADVISOR
Aevidum	Aevidum shatters the silence that surrounds depression, suicide, and other issues facing youth. We strive to create healthy communities where everyone feels accepted, appreciated, acknowledged, and cared for in schools.	Mrs. Schmidt & Mrs. Erdman
	Meetings are weekly and will include fun games, snacks and planning for field trips and conferences!	
Anime Club	A place where students can watch,read and enjoy anime/manga among fellow enjoyers. The club challenges students to take their love for anime further in a variety of ways such as, attempting to create their own manga, expanding on an established anime by creating their own fanfiction, participating in club debates on a variety of anime related topics or to simply join in on the weekly viewing of popular anime together as a community. All are welcome!	Mr. Centeno & Ms. Gilmartin

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Art Club	To provide new art and other cultural experiences for Freedom High School students. Students will have opportunities to experiment with mediums and techniques that they may not be exposed to in their regular classroom setting; as well as visiting local galleries and businesses that contribute to the Arts. Any student interested in the Arts.	Ms. Ackerman & Mr. Reenock
Bell Choir	Interested in learning how to ring handbells and perform in a concert? Maybe you have prior experience or would just like to learn. Please join us Thursday afternoons from 2:30-3:45 pm. in Rm 405. Reach out to Mrs. Volpato if you are interested.	Mrs. Volpato
Big Brothers/Sisters	Big Brothers / Big Sisters is a mentoring program where teens are paired with younger children to provide a nurturing relationship. No experience needed - just a desire to give back!	Mrs. Houser
Black Excellence and Joy	To insure the political, social, and economic equality of minority group citizens of the United States, and eliminate race prejudice. To make students aware of race prejudice, and get them involved in helping our community.	Mr. Burke & Dr. Martinez

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Buddies Helping Buddies	Buddies Helping Buddies is a club that pairs students with special needs and students from the general population. We practice social skills and build friendships. Students who are interested in a career pathway that involves working with children or working with neurodiverse individuals are encouraged to join (teachers, nurses, doctors, dentists, police officers, etc.).	Mrs. Wieand, Mrs. Sell, Miss Hamm, & Mrs. Statile
Chess Team	Chess Club is a space for any students interested in developing their skills on the board. No experience is required and students can play for fun and/or challenge players from other high schools in the Lehigh Valley. Competitions occur from November through February but social games will occur all school year. We meet in room 217 on Tues/Thurs 2:30-4:30 and attendance is flexible. Come for the days/times that work into your schedule. First meeting will be on September 3rd!!	Mr. Gingrich
Civic Engagement Club	Civic engagement is when people work together to improve their community's quality of life, using both political and non-political methods. It can include a range of activities, such as: - Volunteering: Collecting	Mrs. Houser & Mr. Burke

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	food for food banks, helping build houses, or joining a neighborhood watch group - Political activism: Voting, writing letters to elected officials, or participating in local campaigns - Environmentalism: Working on recycling or cleanup efforts - Community service: Working in a soup kitchen or helping at a community garden	
Crochet Club	Crochet club is a place where everyone is welcome to come craft with us! You may bring your own supplies and crochet projects or you may use the club supplies. If you don't know how to crochet yet, we would love to teach you!	Ms. Toohey
Dance Company	Dance Team provides entertainment at school and community events, while giving the Members a chance to express their passion through the art of movement, creativity, and Music	Mrs. Statile
Debate Team	The Debate Team is a competitive group of students who focus on relevant, important world issues and argue for solutions to those problems. We meet in the fall and travel to compete against several	Miss Marmaros

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	area schools during October and November, during the school day. Students looking into careers in law, politics, business, and anything that requires quick thinking and presentation skills should definitely join the team. No prior experience is necessary. Roles on the team include speaking, questioning, researching, and observing. Participation in the Debate Team looks amazing on college applications!	
DECA	DECA prepares emerging leaders and entrepreneurs in marketing, finance, hospitality, and management in high schools and colleges around the globe. Students compete in role play events that demonstrate their business skills and knowledge gained while participating in the club.	Mrs. Spang
Engineering Club	To provide time and guidance for engineering homework help, entry into STEM and engineering competitions, PLTW program promotion, grant-writing and project completion.	Mr. Bothwell
Engineering Girl Power Society (EGP Society)	EGPS is dedicated to empowering young women to reach their STEM goals by exploring educational and career opportunities, creating	Dr. Garippa

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	relationships with working	
	professionals, and mentoring	
	middle school girls to increase	
	their impact on the engineering	
	community.	
FBLA	The mission of FBLA is to "inspire	Mr. Dennis & Mr. Laird
	and prepare students to become	
	community-minded business	
	leaders in a global society	
	through relevant career	
	preparation and leadership	
	experiences." Freedom students	
	will select a competitive event in	
	which they will take a test,	
	participate in a performance or	
	create a unique	
	artifact/presentation related to	
	their business topic of choice.	
	Our Freedom students will	
	compete against students from	
	other schools. The events are first	
	held at the regional level and then	
	the winners at the regional level	
	will compete at the State	
	Leadership Conference. From	
	there, the top winners in each	
	state go on to compete at the	
	national level. Along with	
	competing in business related	
	events, the students will be	
	exposed to various professional	
	workshops and speakers and have	
	a great opportunity for	
	networking with their peers,	
	college admissions personnel,	
	and working professionals in	

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	various business industries.	
F.E.A.T (Freedom's Environmental Awareness Team)	The goal of F.E.A.T. is to enhance the student's knowledge and appreciation of their environment. Students are responsible for maintaining the courtyard and monitoring the recycling program. In addition, students perform community service activities and participate in an environmental competition (Envirothon).	Mr. Baltz
Fellowship for Christian Athletes (FCA)	Unite your two passions, faith and athletics, to impact the world for Jesus Christ.	Mr. Shuler
Freedom Escape & Breakout Club (FEBO)	The Freedom Escape and Breakout Club (FEBO) is dedicated to learning how to design and host escape and breakout games. Students can design and host digital, IRL, or hybrid games for FEBO members or for other FHS organizations upon request. FEBO provides an environment that encourages its members to be creative, innovative, and collaborative while sharing their passion for escape and breakout games. Students needing help constructing escape or breakout games for class projects are welcome.	

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Freedom Forum	The Freedom Forum is the news	Miss Marmaros
	center of Freedom High School.	
	We produce the weekly	
	broadcasts, run the morning	
	announcements, run a social	
	media account, along with	
	publishing a print and online	
	newspaper, with a special senior	
	edition at the end of the year.	
	Members of the Freedom Forum	
	can do anything from write,	
	interview, present, edit, and	
	design. If you are interested in	
	communications, broadcasting,	
	any job that requires writing,	
	graphic design, film, video	
	editing, business, law, teaching,	
	any many more career fields,	
	then participating in The	
	Freedom Forum can give you	
	experiences and skills that will	
	look great on college applications	
	and to future employers. As a	
	contributor to the Forum, you	
	also get to be more involved in all	
	the things that are happening at	
	Freedom High School and give a	
	voice to your own perspective but	
	the perspectives of your	
	classmates!	

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Freedom Readers Lit. Club	Freedom Readers is a non-traditional book club for students who love to READ. Throughout the school year, the club chooses several different novels from a variety of genres to read together and discuss. Coffee and snacks are provided. The club also promotes, maintains and stocks Freedom's FREE book cart stations.	Mr. Dunstan
French Club	The FHS French Club is for any student who wants to learn about French culture. We explore French food, music, theater, games, movies, sports and other topics of interest to the club. We meet every Thursday after school. Students interested in the French-speaking world, whether or not you speak the French language, are welcome to attend.	Mrs. Pazzaglia

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Garden Club	The Freedom Garden Club is an organization that maintains the garden located by the faculty parking lot & solar panels. Their care of the garden extends to weeding, trimming, planting, and watering the plants, bushes, and shrubs. Members are any 9th-12th grade student who shows an interest in participating in the activities of the Garden Club. Members will receive community service hours. Club will meet on Wednesdays.	Mrs. Oleksza
Gender and Sexuality Alliance	The Gender and Sexuality Alliance is a place for members of the LGBTQ+ community and their allies to socialize, seek support, work on school-wide days of education and activism, ask questions, and learn more about LGBTQ+ history and terminology. We organize Ally Week in the Fall and Day of Silence in the Spring, but meet every week on Tuesdays in room 205.	
German Club	To provide a learning experience and social activity for students interested in the culture of German people.	Mr. Kraft
International Leadership Club	The International Leadership Club has gone on cultural excursions, participated in fundraisers, and taken part in school-wide initiatives. Also, it	Mr. Brones

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	has helped students participate in cultural community service events. Foreign experience/language/diversity welcome	
Mathematics Team	The Mathematics Club is for students who enjoy challenging mathematical problems and puzzles. We compete in competitions throughout the school year at Freedom but also at local universities such as Millersville, Bloomsburg, Moravian and Lehigh. We meet after school and practice, learn and discuss all things math.	Mr. Young
NAACP FHS Club	To insure the political, social, and economic equality of minority group citizens of the United States, and eliminate racial prejudice. To make students aware of race prejudice, and get them involved in helping our community.	Mr. Rodney Weems

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National Honor	The Freedom High School	Mr. Kramer & Mr.
Society (NHS)	Chapter of the National Honor	Webb
	Society recognizes eligible juniors	
	and seniors for their commitment	
	to scholarship, service,	
	leadership, and character. These	
	Four Pillars have served as the	
	foundation of membership in	
	NHS since its founding in 1912.	
	Throughout the school year,	
	members participate in service	
	projects such as cleaning City of	
	Bethlehem parks, staffing the	
	AAUW Book Fair, and hosting an	
	Egg Hunt for the children and	
	grandchildren of employees of	
	the Bethlehem Area School	
	District. Juniors and seniors with	
	a minimum cumulative GPA of	
	3.750 are invited to apply for	
	membership in the Fall of each	
	school year.	

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Pen & Ink	Pen & Ink is a student-run organization of writers and artists meeting weekly. The student staff chooses poems, stories, essays, original artwork, and photography submitted by students from Freedom High School to publish in the spring in a magazine entitled Pen & Ink helps spread literature and the arts throughout FHS, the local community, and the world.	Ms. Haldeman
Photography Club	To provide Freedom High School students with a creative and respectful atmosphere to share their passion for photography. Students participate in club wide digital photo challenges and prompts. Students will look at and discuss each other's work. Students will also experience methods in the darkroom and mixing mediums.	Ms. Yeager
Piece of Mind Club	Got stress? Want less? The Peace of Mind Club (POM) might be for you. POM is a place to learn how to destress from your daily struggles and how that affects your mental health. We'll do fun activities, learn strategies to unwind, and provide a judgement-free zone where everyone is welcome!	Mrs. Baylis

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	Come join us!	
Robotics Team	The FHS Robotics Team competes in the FTC Robotics competitions. To do this, we construct a robot every year. We write code for the robot and we test and improve the robot.	Mr. Bothwell
S.A.D.D./ STARS -STUDENTS TAKING ACTION AGAINST DESTRUCTIVE DECISIONS	SADD empowers and mobilizes students to engage in positive change through leadership and smart decision making. All students collaborate to create a healthier and safer world, one positive decision at a time. SADD stands for "Students against Destructive Decisions"We say NO to Drugs & Alcohol and risky behaviors. We advocate making safe decisions. We help make our future safer. / This group formerly called "students against drunk driving," aims to educate the student population concerning constructive decisions about the areas of a teens life where major decisions will have to be made that may have far-reaching consequences. Major topic areas include distracted driving, alcohol/drug use, suicide, leadership, violence and conflict resolution.	Mrs. Guerra

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Scholastic Scrimmage	Competes against other schools from around the Lehigh Valley in academic competition. Students answer questions from all academic areas as well as pop culture & current events. The team competes in an East Penn Conference season as well as the PBS tournament which is televised. Lastly the team competes in the PA state competition in the Spring. The team has both a varsity and JV roster and meets 1-2 days per week.	Mr. Evans
Science Fair	Working individually or in a team, students design and conduct their own experiments on a topic and branch of science that interests them. They then present their project findings at several competitions, where they can compete for scholarships and cash prizes	Miss Ruggiero
Ski Club	If you love to ski or ride, come join the FHS Ski/Board Club at Blue Mountain for another great season. All levels are welcome.	Mr. Jones

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Spanish Club	Spanish Club promotes enthusiasm among students for the Spanish language and culture and provides students with a friendly approach to a new language. We explore the culture, and enjoy food, music, and crafts of the Spanish-speaking world. All students are welcome, no Spanish background necessary!	Mrs. Cespedes
Student Government	The Student Council of Freedom High School is an elected representative body of the student population. It attempts to monitor student opinions and objectives; consolidate and refine student thought; and articulate the majority student view to the administration and faculty.	Ms. Salter & Mr. Cleffi
Class of 2025 Class of 2026 Class of 2027 Class of 2028	FHS Student Council consists of student body President, Vice President, Treasurer & Secretary, additionally, each grade level will be represented by: a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Historian. All students are welcome to participate in the role of class representatives to the student council by attending meetings. The council plans and facilitates school events (homecoming, pep rallies, dances, spirit week, Freedom/Liberty events, teacher	Class of 2025 - Miss Marmaros & Ms. Chabot Class of 2026 - Ms. Hart & Mrs. Safranek Class of 2027- Ms. Ruggiero & Mr. Mozingo Class of 2028- Mrs. Cespedes & Mr. Joseph

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	appreciation week, etc) and any student government related issues as leaders.	
Technical Theatre Company	To provide technical and logistical service for music and dramatic organizations who produce approximately seven presentations per year. Any boy or girl willing to work during and after school hours.	Mr. Amann
Theatre Company	To provide students at all grade levels with an opportunity to promote and foster dramatic activities at Freedom High School. Any student who has an interest in acting or other theater activities.	Mr. Amann
THON	Based on the Penn State University model, THON raises awareness of pediatric cancer and supports efforts to raise money to donate to The Four Diamonds Fund.	Currently no advisor (this club will run if there is a strong interest among students AND students are able to obtain an advisor
Travel Club	To provide students educational experiences outside of the classroom by exploring new sights with hands-on learning. To tour and discover areas both locally and internationally. Fundraising is available for each trip. Open to all students.	Ms. Buchanan
Video Game Club	A place where gamers of all kinds come together to test their skills in a variety of both PvP and PvE	Mr. Centeno

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	games. The club challenges students to use teamwork to overcome any impossible tasks or to test their skills against each other in a friendly match. Building a community of gamers, practicing sportsmanship and having fun are the three main focuses of the club. We play a variety of games and most of them are provided for you by the advisor and its members. All are welcome!	
Yearbook	Yearbook Club is an opportunity for any student to get involved with documenting the events of our school year. If you love to take pictures or just want to be involved in making a book that perfectly captures the memories of Freedom High School, come join us!	Mrs. Meyers

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Yoga Club	All are welcome to the Yoga Club. We meet once a week throughout the school year to connect breath, body, and mind. We practice postures, breathing techniques, and mindfulness. We hope you join us to carve out some space in your week to recenter and calm yourself. Each session begins with a short breathing intro, then we move through some flowing postures, and end with a mindfulness meditation. No experience necessary.	
Young Americans for Freedom	To provide students with a forum for conservative ideals and activities; to celebrate and support traditional American values; to give students the opportunity to discuss and express political issues; to meet and socialize with people sharing similar views; educate, inform and provide services to the local community. Open to any students with an interest in conservative ideas.	Mr. Shuler

Musical Opportunities- Mr. Moran, Mrs. Volpato, & Mr. Lynn

- Band
- Jazz Band
- Orchestra
- String Orchestra
- Wind Ensemble
- Small Ensemble

- Band Twirlers
- Solo Experiences
- Les Chanteurs Vocal Musical Program
- Choir
- Chorale

- Bell Choir
- Jazz Combo

• Celtic Ensemble

Sports:

Fall (August- October)		
Cheerleading	Ms. Semrau	
Cross Country	Mr. Thear	
Field Hockey	Ms. Quinn	
Football	Mr. Roeder	
Soccer- Boys	Mr. Nolan	
Soccer- Girls	Mr. Billone	
Tennis- Girls	Mr. Sigmon	
Volleyball- Girls	Ms. Guman	
Golf	Mr. Evans	
Winter (December- February)		
Basketball- Boys	Mr. Stellato	
Basketball- Girls	Ms. Radio	
Rifle	Mr. Dorney	
Swimming	Ms. Kutch	
Wrestling- Boys	Mr. Marino	
Wrestling- Girls	Mrs. Laubach	
Spring (March- May)		
Boys Lacrosse	Mr. Fabrizio	
Girls Lacrosse	Ms. Innarella	
Baseball	Mr. Bisco	
Softball	Mrs. Laubach	
Tennis- Boys	Mr. Potts	

Track & Field	Mr. Heidecker
Volleyball- Boys	Mr. Yanek